



UXO Safety



Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) is defined as military munitions that have been:

- Primed, fused, armed or otherwise prepared for action
- Fired, dropped, launched, projected, or placed in such a manner to constitute a hazard to operations, installations, personnel, or material
- Remain unexploded either by malfunction, design, or any other case

It is important to know UXO:

- Come in many shapes and sizes. (Some will look new and others will look old and rusty. Some will look like bullets or bombs. Some will look like pointed metal pipes, soda cans, small balls, or even an old car muffler.)
- May be clearly visible; may be partially or completely hidden. May be easy or virtually impossible to recognize as a military munitions.



UXO can be found:

- On top of the ground, or partially or completely buried in the ground or by vegetation, sand or snow.
- In or under high grass or bushes.
- Under water, in lakes or streams or, even, the ocean.
- UXO may look like a bullet or bomb, or be in many pieces. (Even small pieces of UXO can be dangerous.)



RECOGNIZE — *when you may have encountered a munition.*

RETREAT — *do not touch, move or disturb it, but carefully leave the area.*

REPORT — *call 911!*